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Defence Plan Okayed By Colony's Businessmen

Hongkong, May 10.—Leading Hongkong bankers and commercial interests said today that they were quite satisfied with the British Government's plans for safeguarding Hongkong.

The confidence essential to the maintenance of the Colony's position as an Empire revenue earner had been assured with the British Government's announcement that it intended to reinforce and defend Hongkong as a trading post.

"Out here we are doing our utmost to keep things going and it has been rather a blow to read some circles in London expressing views which to a great extent are not justified," one group of some of the Colony's most influential businessmen told Reuter in a special interview.

The group, who represent substantial British Far Eastern interests, did not wish to be quoted by name.

LONDON "UNHAPPY"

The businessmen were referring to the London report carried by Reuter quoting banking circles there as being "not too happy" about the British Government's plans for safeguarding the Colony in case of an attack.

The businessmen said that they were realistic enough to know that greater emphasis might now have to be given to defence problems instead of as previously when emphasis in the Colony's policy was laid upon keeping things moving.

They said they had in illustrations about the dangers that might confront Hongkong and were certainly aware of the difficulties connected with trading now on the China coast but they had by no means thrown up the sponge. The maintenance of large staffs in British firms throughout China at normal levels despite civil war dangers was surely proof that they did not intend to give up hope.

NEGLECTIBLE TRADE

Actually, it was much too early to say what prospects of trading with Communist China might be. The dust of the civil war had to settle first and that might take one or two years.

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H.K. Stand The Best

OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

London, May 9.—No decision has yet come out of today's talks between the Hongkong delegates to the B.I.F. and the Ministry of Food, but I understand that Mr. U. Tat-chen has asked to be allowed to ship a further 1,000 tons of silver to the United Kingdom next season, and is very optimistic about the Ministry's reply.

Mr. Grimwood, Hongkong Government representative in London, told me a buyer from Mexico said that the Hongkong stand was the "most worthy in the whole of the B.I.F." This praise is especially welcome from a buyer from a hard currency area. He showed great interest in most of the exhibits.

600 Rebels Launch An Attack

Rangoon, May 9.—Government reinforcements have been rushed to Zathabalin, South Burma, where 600 rebels are attacking an outpost "from all sides" and heavy fighting is in progress, a Government communiqué said tonight.

Aircraft are bombing the rebels, it added. Zathabalin is 20 miles northeast of Moulin.

In Central Burma, Government troops are "preparing to enter" the important railway town of Yenthin, which is controlled by White Band (anti-Government) Volunteer forces.

South of Mandalay, fleeing insurgents have been "trapped" in a Buddhist monastery, the communiqué said. This followed

a Government success in repelling a combined White Band and Communist attack on Sangaing, a river town near Mandalay.

The communiqué added.—

Reuter

London, May 9.—Britain's cheese ration will go up from 1½ ounces a week starting May 22, the Food Ministry announced on Monday.—Associated Press.

Reds Attempting To Cut Off 300,000 Troops

DRIVE FOR NANCHANG

S'hai Residents Urged To Store Up Foodstuffs

Shanghai, May 9.—Chinese Communists today drove west along the Chikiang-Kiangsi railway in what appeared to be a major attempt to cut off General Pai Chung-hsi's 300,000 Central China troops.

The Communist broadcast reported the capture of the rail town of Tunghsiang, less than 50 miles from Nanchang, key rail centre and the capital of Kiangsi Province. The capture of Nanchang by the Reds would imperil General Pai's escape route along the Hankow-Canton railway.

Government sources earlier had reported a Nationalist victory in the area and said that a Nationalist column had "defeated" the Red advance and was driving northward toward Poyang Lake. Nanchang is about 400 miles southwest of Shanghai and about 100 miles below the Yangtze River. From Nanchang the Communists would be in a position to sweep west toward Shangsha, where General Pai is expected to make a stand.

Fighting in the immediate Shanghai area was reported to have lessened today. Persistent reports said that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek is personally directing the defence of Shanghai.—United Press.

Petrol Allowance For Visitors

London, May 9.—A small petrol allowance for visitors from overseas who borrow a motorcar in Britain or buy one second-hand is to be made from June 1, the Fuel Minister, Mr. Hugh Gaitskell announced today.

It will be sufficient for 250 miles' motoring in addition to the standing ration for 90 miles a month.

Only one special allowance will be made for each car every six months.—Reuter

HANKOW ABANDONED

London, May 9.—Uncertified military reports in Canton on Monday said the Nationalist forces have abandoned Hankow and launched a counter-offensive on the railway west of Nanchang.

General Mao Sen, Police Commissioner, has meanwhile announced a set of wartime regulations to tighten up discipline in the police force. Among 10 offences listed in the regulations seven are punishable by death.

Allegiance to the Communists and treachery to the police force is punishable by the execution of all family members of the culprit, the rules made clear.

POLICE PURGE

A special supervisory group headed by the Deputy Police Commissioner has been organized to enforce wartime regulations.

Chinese press reports said that two sub-station police chiefs and a patrol officer have been placed in detention by Commissioner Mao Sen in a purge of suspected corrupt personnel.

Commissioner Mao Sen announced that any Communists attempting to entice any policeman to change allegiance must be reported to the Police Bureau.

On the other hand, police personnel who fail to report such attempts will be punishable by death and liable to have all their property confiscated.

The British Consul-General, Mr. R. Urquhart, said last night that the Woosung Shanghai Garrison Commander had been approached on the subject of re-quisitioning of foreign motor vehicles and that the Garrison Commander had been found to be most helpful, according to the British-owned North China Daily News.

Premier Ho Ying-chin, will report on May 10 to the Legislative Yuan on peace negotiations which ended with Communist leaders crossing of the Yangtze river.

Rumours were current that he would soon resign as Premier to devote all his time to his duties as Minister of National Defence. At present he holds both posts. However, an official government spokesman denied these reports.

STORE FOOD, APPEAL

Shanghai, May 9.—The necessity for local residents to store up enough foodstuffs to last from six months to two years in preparation for any possible emergency was reiterated yesterday by Mr. Ying Chih-chen, Chief Secretary of the Police Bureau.

Mr. Ying said that the military authorities had full con-

Today's weather: Moderate East or Southeast winds.
Cloudy.
Noon Observations: Barometric pressure, 1011.3 mb.
28.86 in. Temperature, 78.5 deg. F. Dew point, 74 deg. F. Relative humidity, 83. Wind direction, East by South. Wind force, 0 knots.
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Albanian Border Shooting

YUGOSLAV TROOPS ATTACKED

Belgrade, May 9.—Albanian sub-machine gunners were stated by the Yugoslav news agency tonight to have fired for two and a half hours at a motor-boat on Lake Scutari, shooting at Yugoslav soldiers who were starting a ceremonial relay run to Belgrade for Premier Josip Tito's birthday.

One soldier swam ashore under a hail of bullets.

The agency, Tanjug said that early on Friday a small motor-boat was carrying a non-commissioned officer and three men taking part in a relay from all parts of the country to the capital. It was travelling along the frontier line, being unable to follow another route "because of the reefs in the part of the lake."

Albanian frontier guards, using sub-machine guns fired on the boat, damaging and immobilising it, the agency said. They seriously injured one of the soldiers while another had slight injuries. They continued firing at the stationary boat for two and a half hours.

HAIL OF BULLETS

About 10:30 a.m. one of the soldiers jumped into the water and swam to the Yugoslav shore under a hail of bullets. About half an-hour later the Albanians took the Yugoslav motor-boat in tow and brought it to the Albanian shore.

The Yugoslav authorities were unable to establish contact with the Albanian authorities until 8 p.m. when it was agreed to form a mixed Commission. The Albanians, however, said that the mixed Commission would meet the next day.

Special squads of British Army engineers and Service Corps men arrived in Berlin by plane during the weekend to help in handling the convoys of trucks which will rush supplies into the city as soon as the barriers go up.

BUS-SERVICE

The first "B-Day" interzonal bus run by the Western City Administration for German passengers will start from the British sector at 7:00 a.m. Four interzonal buses, linking Berlin with Hamburg, Hanover, Frankfurt and Munich are scheduled by the Western City authorities. Before the blockade they ran only to Hanover and Munich.

It is hoped that evening tramway services will be restored and electricity cuts cancelled, but a spokesman said firm planning is impossible until detailed Russian arrangements are known and Allied instructions received.

Herr Hans Jendretzky, Chairman of the Communist-led Socialist Unity Party of Berlin, today suggested that representatives of the "two Berlin administrations" should meet for preliminary talks, according to the German news agency, DENA.

Stanley Says He Could Make Bevin Resign

Tel-Aviv, May 9.—Sidney Stanley, fugitive central figure in the British Government's recent bribery investigation, said today that when he told what he knew about the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Bevin would resign.

However, "Ernlo" might even resign before then, Stanley told the United Press by telephone after arriving here from France. He continued:

"Ernest will tell the world that it is his health, but I will shortly give the people the story behind this resignation. It is no coincidence that Ernest wants rest."

During the recent Lynskey bribe inquiry in London, Stanley was described as a "contact man" between high Government officials and restriction-harnessed business. A Governor of the Bank of England and a

Labour Member of Parliament resigned following the inquiry.

Stanley was not charged, but was placed on parole pending action on an alleged violation of the bankruptcy act. He disappeared two days before the hearing and showed up in Haifa early today aboard the Jewish refugee ship *Azmaut* out of Marseilles, France. He slipped quietly into Tel-Aviv.

Stanley said he would "spill the dope" on Ernest Bevin at a press conference tomorrow.

Stanley was a bit irritated at the reception he got at Haifa. Someone stole his three trunks.

—Reuter

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WHEN BABY DOESN'T CARE TO EAT—

By HERMAN N. BUNDESEN, M.D.

ONE of the most frequent complaints for which children are brought to the doctor is lack of appetite. Associated with this lack of appetite is refusal to chew, refusal to take the solid food, dawdling, and vomiting. Often the feeding difficulty is associated with other problems, such as sleep disturbances, trouble with bowel and bladder training, and thumb-sucking.

Fortunately, there are a number of things which can be done to keep poor appetite from developing.

Ready to Learn

To begin with, adults should not attempt to rush children in their development. When the child is ready to learn, he should be helped, but such things as trying to teach the child to hold his own bottle before he is ready, or to drink from a cup before the proper time are often factors in producing appetite troubles.

It is known that during the end of the first year a baby's appetite often decreases. When this happens, the amount of food offered should be increased. It is much better to have a child ask for more food than for him to refuse to eat all that is served to him.

Food should be served attractively. There should be a variety of foods and, of course, they

should be properly cooked. Eating should not be made a pleasure and not a duty.

It should be remembered that no one food is absolutely necessary for a baby's well-being.

For practically every good food there is some substitute.

Most children like meat and fruit, milk, bread and butter. They often tend to refuse cereals, cooked vegetables, and soup. Often, a child will eat raw vegetables and refuse cooked ones, but this should cause no concern. The child should be allowed some choice of foods.

Child's Independence

Satisfactory home conditions are also important. There should be affection, encouragement, and appreciation of the child's independence. The child should not be scolded at mealtimes, nor should he be shouted at while eating. In proper surroundings, the problem of poor appetite does not occur nearly so often.

Too rigid feeding schedules, poor training, and emotional upsets are among the important factors in producing poor appetite.

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WOMANSENSE

Princess, 23,
goes dancing



End of a birthday party for Princess Elizabeth, who leads the way from the Cafe de Paris after celebrating her twenty-third birthday evening. Princess Margaret follows her sister.

With Prince Philip, they had been to see The School for Scandal. Afterwards they were joined for supper by Sir Laurence and Lady Olivier.

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The Destructive Instinct In A Child Is Strong

By GARRY CLEVELAND MYERS, Ph.D.

A BASIC factor in educating the child in good character and citizenship is his training from his early years to be careful of property. He needs first to be careful of his own things.

Let us parents respect and protect his possessions, not letting others of the family have his things or use them without his permission. Let us see especially that the baby or young child does not appropriate, mar or destroy the things which belong to the older brother or sister and vice versa. Foolishly many parents will constantly compel the older child to give up his own things to a younger child. Of course we want our children to share but we succeed best in this direction as we acknowledge the child's ownership and respect and protect this ownership. Then when he feels safe in sharing and does share let us heartily approve.

Positive Suggestion

We help the tot to be careful of his own things (if he does not have too many of them) by quiet positive suggestion and patient guidance. Giving him sturdy toys we show him how to use them so as not to injure these toys or other things with them. For example, when he gets a metal toy, we spend time with him showing him just how to use it properly so he won't mar polished furniture with it. If he has a ball we train him to throw it only where he can do

so with safety to himself and property.

The tot soon discovers fun at climbing into chairs or upon other furniture, jumping up and down on stuffed furniture or the bed. This we will forbid from its beginning, using physical pain if necessary. Nor shall we allow this tot to run boisterously after another child in the house, in a store or other public place. Let us get him to places where he may run freely.

Creative Play

When you go with your child to the house of another person tell him not to run rapidly about their house, handle things or go places not clearly welcomed by the hostess.

Such desirable restraints are most easily cultivated in the child to whom you have read daily from the age of fifteen months or earlier, whom you have encouraged in improvised dramatization, in weaving yarns of fancy, in creating with blocks, crayons, paper, paste, cardboard, wood and the like and in playing non-running games indoors.

Creative play is the opposite of destruction. It is a cornerstone of good citizenship. The more a child creates the less he destroys. Show appreciation of your child's creations however crude they be. He not only needs good things to play with creatively but he also needs parents who appreciate what he makes for fun.

Conflicting Elements

But sometimes conflicting factors arise. For example, if at little daughter of yours may create more eagerly and skilfully costumes for herself and clothes for her doll, and in doing so might cut up and use some costly materials you had saved for a cherished purpose. Indeed, she may often use such materials without first asking you about them. Then if you should become very upset over a few cases and put her on trial after you have missed something, she may do this sort of thing more often, even clandestinely. She may suppose you despise her creation. You really want to encourage her in creativity, yet at the same

time destruction of books and such must be curbed, your emphasis on punishment was hardly good. Even your explanations were shrouded in anger and incrimination. It might be well, however, to check on this lad in connection with other situations not related to his collective or creative interests, whether stern measures might be warranted at times if he clearly disregards the rights and possessions of others.

Black Lace With Pink



By PRUNELLA WOOD

Systematic Beauty Care



An important part of Screen Star Miss McClure's skin care programme is the nightly creaming of her complexion.

By HELEN FOLLETT

PAY tribute to your skin. Don't expect it to get along without help. You can't start too early to conserve its youthful appearance.

Every teen-ager should have a jar of cream to be used when the epidermal coating seems rough and chapped. Between twenty and thirty, the complexion may lose colouring, change somewhat in texture, hence the need of daily lubricating with light tapping massage.

Interest In Him

BY

Let's Eat

BY
IDA BAILEY ALLEN

Menu for a British Dinner

"CHEF, let's eat British slices of dark bread spread with cottage cheese."

"You mean a dinner with the roast beef or the steak and kidney pie?"

"No, nothing like that." I said. "I mean a dinner like those the British have today."

This is going to be a plain meal, but it can be very tasty. Our main dish is going to be sausage and leek turnip."

"Will there be a dessert to this dinner?"

"Oh yes, old-fashioned English rhubarb and banana fool."

"Ha-ha-ha," the Chef burst out laughing. "Is this a joke?"

"No, it's a name for a traditional English dessert."

"Bubble and Turnip."

"It is a combination of new turnips, onions, cabbage and a few potatoes, first fried a bit, then boiled or 'bubbled' together. Right now they're so short of potatoes in England, they combine them with other vegetables to make them go further. I'll give you the recipe."

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"Cottage Cheese and Dark Bread."

"Rhubarb Banana Fool."

"Coffee or Tea."

"All Measurements Are Level."

"Recipes Serve Four."

"Cress and New Onion Salad."

"Bowl."

"Wash and crisp 1 bunch of watercress, 6 scallions, and a few tender mustard leaves if available. Break the cress into small sprigs and cut the stems across into inch lengths. Fine shred the mustard leaves.

Combine the scallions including the cress, and mix in a salad bowl. Toss with tomato French dressing. Serve with thin

croutons fried together with a few poppy seeds in a little butter or margarine.

Trick of the Chef

To make plain cooked

vegetables taste and look

luxurious, sprinkle just before serv

ing with small crisp bread

croutons fried together with a

few drops of lemon juice.

WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



AFTER THE STORM—A tornado which hit the village of Crowder, Oklahoma, killed one person and injured 20 more. Least damaged of all structures in the community was the Masonic hall, left centre. Almost every building was flattened, except those made of stone, and the inhabitants were left homeless.



CHOSEN — Marcellyn Gulbransen, in San Francisco, represents "Miss Sportsman" for the third annual Northern California Sportsmen's and Vacation Show.



GETS GIFT HOME—Little LeRoy Mason, two, looks on as sister, Roberta Lee, 14, cuts the welcome cake in her new home at Des Plaines, Illinois, a suburb of Chicago. The house was presented to Roberta, heroine of a fire which destroyed her former home. Although she was severely burned, the girl rescued her brothers and sisters at great personal risk. About \$27,000 was donated toward the new home by admirers of her bravery.



ONE IN MANY—Eight years ago, Jimmy Montgomery, 14, of Hot Springs, Arkansas, had every major bone in his body broken in a car accident. But in New York, where he was honoured as "Boy of the year," Jimmy demonstrates that he's perfectly fit now.



RECORD HOLDER—The Score, holder of two world's records, stands beside its first foal in Mexico City while owner Don Carlos Gomez looks on proudly. The mare, wearing Bing Crosby's colours, made its debut in 1943 and won its first race.



OUNCE OF PREVENTION—When a Cuban got back home to Havana from Mexico with smallpox, the Minister of Health took action. Now Havana residents and arrivals from Mexico must be vaccinated. President Carlos Prio Socorras is no exception.



TO THE RESCUE—When fire broke out in a store in Chicago, nurse Lucy Koch had to be rescued from a second floor apartment. Mrs Koch had been attending a patient who was also rescued, but in a less spectacular, and perhaps safer, manner.



WEDDING OF POLICE—The principals in Japan's first wedding within the ranks of the police force toast the marriage in Tokyo. Police Chief Tatsuo Ishida, right, was best man for the police officers Yukio Kaitani, left, and Hisayo Yokata. Women police are now in Japan.



TAKING THE NET—While practising at Wembley, in North London, for their indoor professional lawn tennis tournament, Jack Kramer, left, Bobby Riggs and Dinny Potts take the net in fine style.

JOAN BLONDELL, glamorous star says, "Pink lipstick's the Hollywood craze and 'Pink Queen' is the perfect pink."

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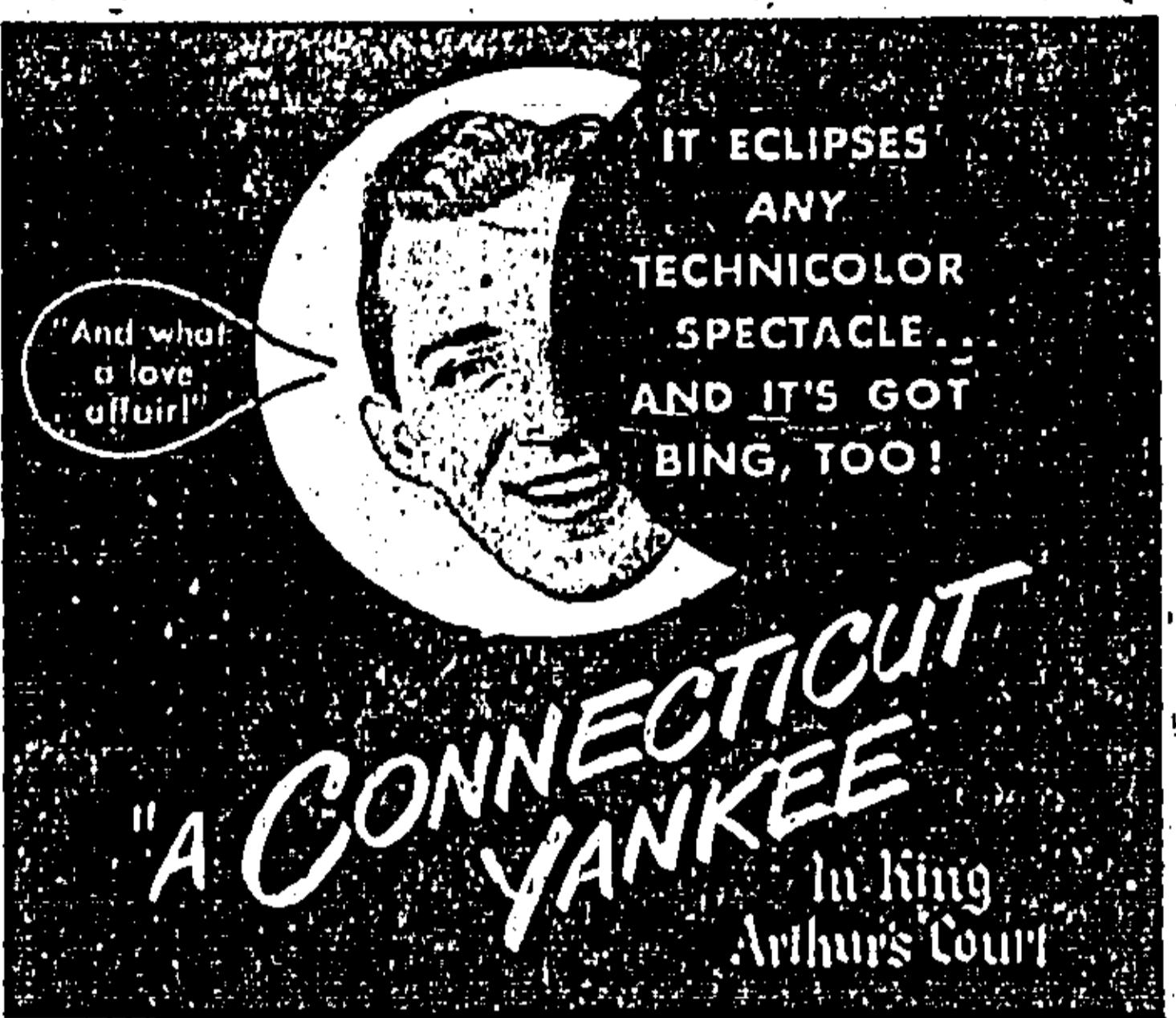
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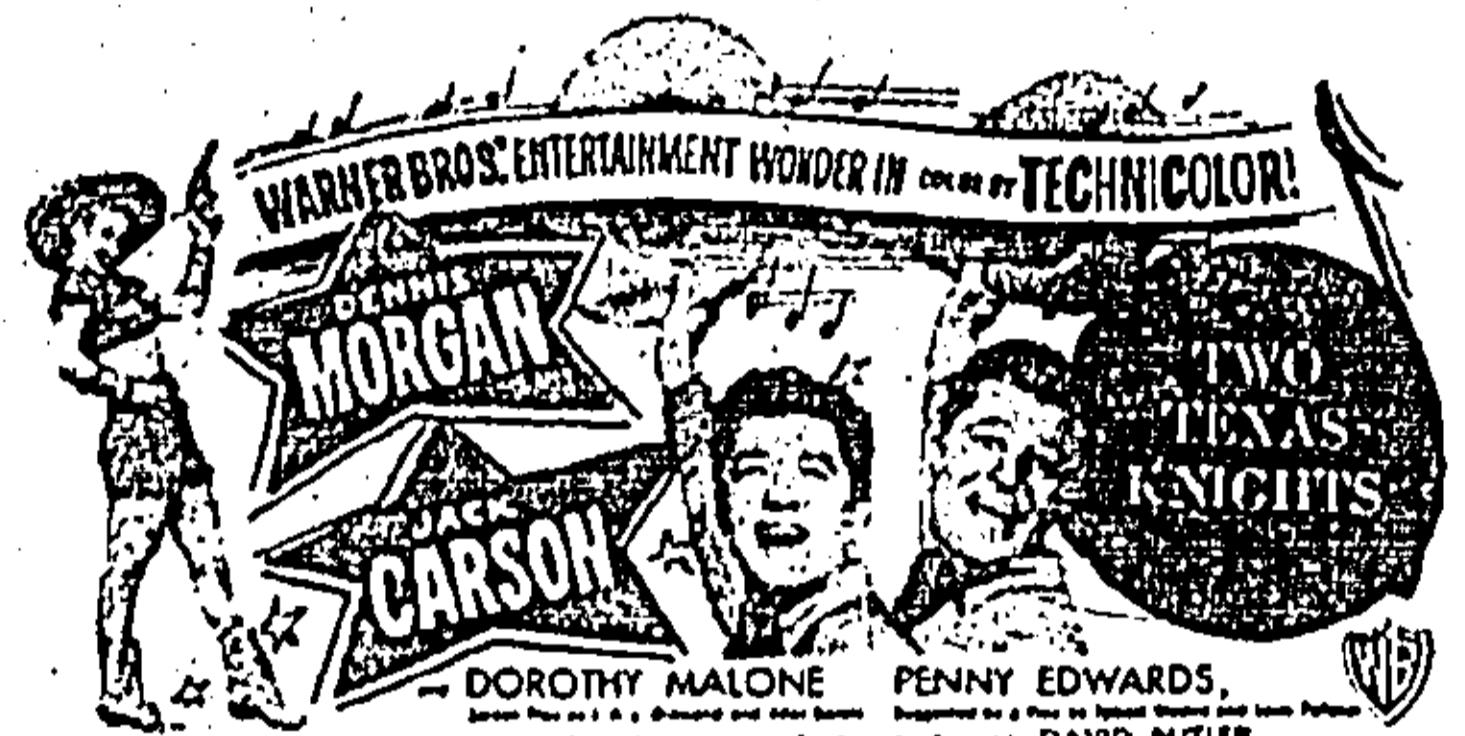


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London Express Service

In the past the mining villages of Durham, in northeast England, have been bleak, unlovely places, but today plans are being made for the building in their midst of BRITAIN'S MODEL NEW INDUSTRIAL TOWN

By
**MONICA
FELTON**

Chairman of the Peterlee Development Corporation, and former Vice-Chairman of the Development Corporation of Stevenage, one of London's satellite towns.

THE coalfield in the north of England, is one of the richest in Britain, with the coal running out in deep, thick seams three, four and five miles under the North Sea. Easington, the administrative centre of this mining area, is the focal point for a dozen colliery villages which between them have a total population of about 80,000. Most of these villages, in fact, are now as large as small towns; and most of them, too, are neither town nor village, but rows of houses strongly built but bleak, uncomfortable and badly planned, clustered around the pitheads and spoil heaps.

Each village has a minimum of shops, one or sometimes two cinemas, a church and perhaps two or three chapels, an elementary school and a miners' club. But even these few amenities are scattered and so poverty-stricken in their architectural conception that the villages seem featureless, and only the pit-head provides an element of drama in what must once have been a very beautiful landscape.

Between the two wars the whole area, with no alternative occupation to offer the unemployed, suffered acutely from the prolonged depression in the mining industry. Nevertheless, the local District Council, most of whose members were miners, made strenuous attempts to improve housing standards, to install the elementary necessities of an adequate water supply and proper sanitation, and to relieve, as far as they could, the drudgery that was the lot of the average miner's wife.

Even the youngest of those who served with him are well advanced into middle age, people often begin their political wishful thinking with the phrase: "If only Peter Lee had lived...." And the new Corporation, accepting, irrespective of party, all that the Peter Lee legend stands for in terms of social service and the upright conduct of public affairs, have decided to adopt Peter Lee's own flowing and beautiful signature in place of the coat-of-arms and motto of the older new towns.

Except for myself, who came to Peterlee from being the vice-chairman of the Stevenage New Town, all the members of the Corporation had some close association with activities in or near the area of the new town. Harry Lee, the vice-chairman, was the headmaster of a secondary modern school at Seaham, a few miles to the north of Peterlee. The other members included an industrialist, an accountant, an ex-miner who is a member of the Durham County Council, a scheme—the acquisition of Castle Eden Dale, a picturesque and thickly wooded ravine, for several years a member of the rural District Council, a lecturer in economics in Durham University, and the wife of the clerk to the rural District Council.

The scheme aroused the liveliest interest in the area. Here and there people objected: some because they

development of new industries up and its assets transferred to the elected local authority of the area, so that ultimately, the people of Peterlee will become the owners of the town in the fullest sense in which they live.

Meanwhile, democracy in planning is being made a reality. Though executive responsibility rests with the Corporation, the people of the area are brought into consultation, both formally and informally. A joint committee of members of the Corporation and the local authority discusses many questions of major policy, and local organisations of all kinds—from churches to the promoters of dog-racing tracks—thrust out future policy with members or officials of the Corporation.

Like all public corporations in Britain, we are essentially non-political, and though our membership was made up from the start of people with the most widely divergent political views we have never had a serious division of opinion or anything that could be labelled as a party line—either of the right or of the left.

We started from nothing: with no staff, no buildings, no organisation of any sort. We were lucky to find, centrally situated on the new town site, a derelict, but essentially charming, eighteenth century country house. This house, reconditioned, now forms the nucleus of our headquarters. In what was once the billiard room, our staff of young architects, under the direction of Berthold Lubetkin, is at work designing the master plan for the whole town, and, at the same time, working out the details for our first piece of building development.

Master Plan

THE master plan envisages a town with an ultimate population of between 3,000 and 4,000, but with social and cultural facilities on a scale large enough to meet the needs, not only of the people who will be coming to live in Peterlee, but also of those who will still continue to live in the villages that lie to the north, south and west of us. This means that it should be possible to provide theatres for the Durham people have a lively appreciation of the drama—concert halls, restaurants, swimming pools and many other recreational facilities that are fairly common in big cities, but are out of reach of the miner except on rare and special occasions.

The new town, too, will have to provide new opportunities for employment. In the first place for men who on health grounds must seek employment in industries other than mining and for young women who today are either obliged to travel long distances to work or else to leave the area altogether. And, looking some years ahead to the time when mechanisation of the mines will reduce the need for manpower, the Corporation envisages the ultimate

spiritual leader of an estimated 400,000 Catholics throughout the world refused to appoint new Cardinals during the war in sign of mourning.

Shortly after the war, Pope Pius departed radically from tradition in elevating 32 Cardinals from 19 different countries. For hundreds of years the roster of Cardinals had been heavily Italian and almost completely European. After that consistory, for the first time in four centuries, the Italian majority was broken.

It was in the Sacred College of Cardinals that the Pontiff

C. V. R. THOMPSON RE-
PORTS FROM NEW YORK

DUKES IN A TEMPER

SOCIALITES in New York are complaining of too many dukes in their midst, American dukes, that is, meaning fists.

There was, for example, the scene at the Baroness Douth's Park avenue party for Major Gwilym Lloyd George. Just as the baroness was introducing her British visitor to an all-star assembly of jewellers, roared with *americana* blue-bloods, angry words were heard.

Said a high-pitched woman's voice: "Come out in the middle of the floor." The speaker turned out to be Mrs Frank Henderson, who at 72 is taking boxing lessons.

Mrs Henderson was quarrelling over Ireland with a titled English woman.

"I don't hate a single human being," said Mrs Henderson.

THE POUND STERLING has settled down at last in New York's money markets. Finally convinced that rumours of its devaluation are groundless, there is a strong demand for sterling again.

CELEBRITIES are being quietly warned in America to be careful in giving autographs. They may be used on Communist manifestos.

A HUSBAND AND WIFE fled to Trenton, New Jersey, to ban-Bible reading in schools. Under a 16-year-old State law, each morning's classes must begin with the reading of five verses from the Old Testament. Charged Mr. and Mrs. Donald Doremus in their suit: "It is contrary to the Constitution of the United States, which upholds religious freedom."

CHOSEN as America's Mother of the Year, Mrs. Pearl Gillis, a 60-year-old post office worker's wife, has six children, and this is what they have done in life: one son is a top broadcasting executive, another is a diplomat, another is a professor of English, another is a musician, and two daughters are also musicians.

IN THE MARKET for two new British suits is Senator Tom Connally, who led the fight to save the Marshall plan in Congress. He burned holes in his cigar ash in the trousers of the two suits he bought in England this year the first day he wore them.

A Bold Leap
PUBLIC meetings are organised in the villages to enable people to learn about current activities and to give opportunities for criticism, which is usually constructive and helpful. In short, the people of the area are, at this very early stage, already conscious that Peterlee is their town and that they have a responsibility for its future.

We do not yet know how long the realisation of these plans for building Peterlee is likely to take. The rate of building will depend partly on the speed of national recovery as a whole, partly on the way in which it is possible to solve the technical difficulties involved in building on top of a coalfield. But one thing is clear: everyone who is concerned with the building of the town is determined that it shall be not simply one step forward in the improvement of the miner's life, but a really bold leap into the future, designed as an example of what, given sufficient vision, courage and determination, life in an industrial community really ought to be—healthy, gay, adventurous and beautiful.

SHOW BUSINESS: Britain has run off with Broadway's annual awards, too. Red Harrisson is the year's best actor. Martita Hunt, the best actress. "Miranda," the British-made mermaid film, has just got past the American censors but it got mixed reviews.

VATICAN CITY—Ever since Pope Pius XII held the first Consistory of his Pontificate in February 1946, his efforts have been aimed at increasing the international influence and prestige of the Church a supranational character.

Although elevated to the see of St. Peter in 1930, the spiritual leader of an estimated 400,000 Catholics throughout the world refused to appoint new Cardinals during the war in sign of mourning.

The same spirit of supranationalisation also characterises the Roman congregations, offices and tribunals in the Vatican and even the lightly-scaled Secretariat of State, which once was 100 percent in the hands of Italian ecclesiastics. Today, well over 25 percent of the personnel in those key ecclesiastic positions are non-Italian.

But where the supranationalisation of the church proceeds more rapidly is in the pontifical diplomacy. Almost half of the personnel in that field are non-Italian, as is also a large part of the titulars.

It was in the Sacred College of Cardinals that the Pontiff

Raising the Vatican's Influence

By **ALDO FORTE**

the Vatican corridors at the disposal of the Secretariat of State.

In the vast field of diplomacy, once almost 100 percent Italian, 10 non-Italians are holding important diplomatic posts. Three of them are Americans—Mr. Louis Meunch, at present in Germany; Mr. Joseph Hurley, in Yugoslavia; and Mr. Gerald O'Hara, in Rumania.

The other non-Italians include four Britons, three Belgians, three French, two Dutch, one German and one Irish. The latter is Msgr. John Collins, Archibishop, Charge d'Affaires of Liberia. According to usually well-informed Vatican circles, Msgr. Collins may be appointed soon to the important post of Nuncio to Ireland.

The German in Msgr. Michael Schullen, Apostolic Visitor to Sarre, of which he is a native.—United Press.



By Ernie Bushmiller



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ONCE CALLED KITTEN BALL

It Started As A Diversion For Firemen

HOW SOFTBALL WAS BORN & GREW

By CORNELIUS RYAN

New York, May 9.—Baseball calls itself America's national sport and basketball claims to have the largest number of fans, but if figures mean anything, it is softball which is the king of sports in the United States.

Officials of the American Softball Association estimate that the game drew 130,000,000 spectators in 1943 and at least that many each year since then. More than 5,000,000 persons are active players, the ASA says. Neither baseball nor basketball comes close to those totals.

Softball is a variation of baseball, but still is a distinct game in itself. It uses a 12-inch ball instead of the 9-inch baseball, but it isn't soft. The pitcher must throw with an underhand motion, not the sidearm or overhand of baseball, and the basepaths are 60 feet long instead of baseball's 90 feet.

The game was founded in Milwaukee in 1895 by Lewis Hober, who wanted to find a new diversion for firemen during their long stretches of duty, and grew haphazardly until 1932, when founding of the Amateur Softball Association brought standardization and a great spurt in popularity.

VICTORIA CLUB CALLOVER

Val Drake Well Backed

London, May 9.—Mon. Leon Volterra's Val Drake, who won the Prix Hoquart at Longchamp on Sunday, was the best backed horse at the Victoria Club callover on the Derby tonight.

Val Drake closed at 18 to 1. The Prix Hoquart was won last year by My Love before his success in the Derby.

A fair amount of business was transacted. Royal Forest, who is likely to be ridden by Geddes Richards, was quoted at 9 to 1, a clear favourite over Lord Derby's Swallow Tail, offered at 5 to 1.

The Mahrarajah of Baroda's Jai Hind, third favourite at 10 to 1 at the previous callover, was not quoted tonight. Brown Rover, who easily beat Jai Hind at Lingfield, was introduced at 18 to 1 on the same mark as Val Drake.

Nimbus, winner of the Two Thousand Guineas, was well supported at 100 to 8, four points less than last week.

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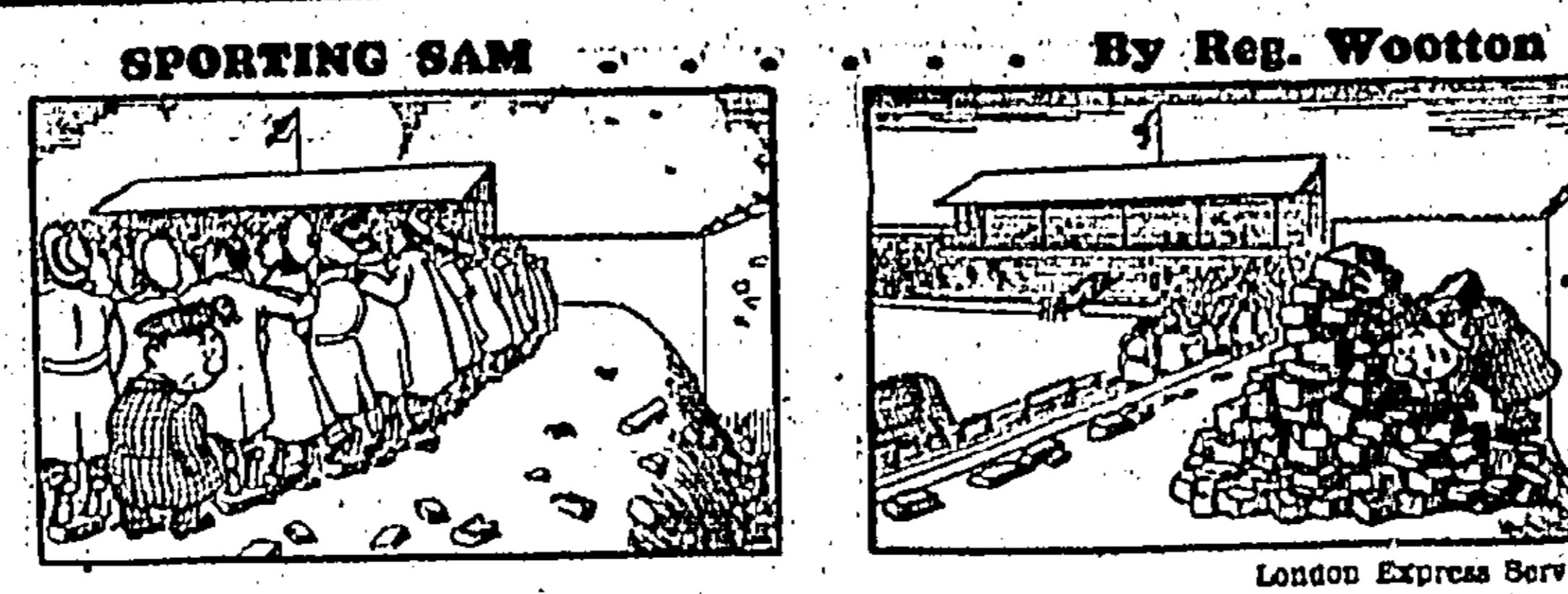
Tonight's quotations were: 9 to 2 against Royal Forest, 5 to 1 Swallow Tail, 100 to 8 Nimbus, 100 to 7 Hindostan, 18 to 1 Val Drake and Brown Rover.

LEAGUE TENNIS ENTRIES

Chinese Recreation Club is entering teams this season in all divisions of the Lawn Tennis League, the University in the "A" Division and the Mixed Doubles "B" Division, and the Kowloon Dockyard Recreation Club in the "C" Division.

These were all the entries received by the Hon. Secretary of the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association, Mr Ho Ka-lau, up to noon today.

Entries close today at 5 p.m.



SPORTING SAM By Reg. Wootton

NEW ZEALANDERS' TOUR

WORCESTER SAVE THE FOLLOW-ON

Worcester, May 9.—After losing five wickets for 41 runs, Worcestershire put up a dogged resistance against the New Zealanders here today, and in scoring 279 before being dismissed, saved the follow on by three runs.

A sixth wicket partnership of 75 by H. Yarnold and R. Jenkins, followed by powerful hitting from A. F. P. White and R. Perks put Worcester within striking distance of the safety margin when replying to New Zealand's 425.

Major League Baseball

New York, May 9.—Ted Gray, who has been looked upon as potential pitching bigwig for three seasons, demonstrated again today that he may be ready to fill the role when he pitched a five hit 4-1 Tiger victory over New York Yankees.

Gray won the duel from right hander Vic Raschi, who suffered his first defeat for the League leaders after four straight victories.

It was Gray's second straight victory without a defeat. He walked only one batter and, inasmuch as his mates played errorless ball behind him, only six men reached first base. Raschi also gave up only five hits but a stretch of wildness blundered him.

Tigers clinched the game in the third inning with three runs on three hits, including a home run by Dic Wakefield. Yankees scored their run on a single by Johnny Lindell and Jackie Phillip's triple.

St Louis Cardinals came out of a three-game losing streak with a vengeance, getting 15 hits including two homers in a 14-3 triumph over Dodgers in Brooklyn. Rookie Eddie Kazak hit a grand slam homer and drove in another run with a double.

Rockie Tommy Glaviano lambasted a three run homer and added two singles. Every Cardinal starter except pitcher Al Brazle got at least one hit in the mifstreatment of six Brooklyn throwers.

Dodgers did some lusty swinging themselves but weren't up to the output of Cardinal batters. Jackie Robinson and Mike McCormick hit homers in the tenth hit attack on Brazle and Howie Pollet.

There was no other American League game scheduled. All other National League games were scheduled for tonight.

THE SCORES

Scores were: AMERICAN LEAGUE

New York 1 9 1
Detroit 4 5 0
Yankees: p. Raschi, Sanford; c. Silvera.

Tigers: p. Gray; c. Robinson.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

St Louis 14 15 2
Brooklyn 5 10 22
Cardinals: p. Brazle, Pollet; c. Garagola.

Dodgers: p. Pobellian, Mc- Clothing, Halton, Minner; c. Campanella.—United Press.

Fanny Is Off To The States

Amsterdam, May 9.—Mrs Fanny Blankers-Koen, holder of four Olympic medals, will leave here by air on Wednesday for the United States.

Mrs. Blankers-Koen's full programme has not yet been fixed, but she has accepted an invitation to run at Los Angeles on May 20.—Reuter.

M. A. Marston Dies

Hamburg, Connecticut, May 10.—Maxwell A. Marston, 56, former United States Amateur Golf Champion and member of the Walker Cup team in 1922 and 1934, died here last Saturday.—Associated Press.

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ON THE RECORD

An Athletic Revival

For what is, for Hongkong, a revival on an unprecedented scale in athletics, our gratitude is mainly due to the Services and the South China Athletic Association.

Though standards, as a whole, have yet to touch what they were pre-war, I cannot remember a year when there was so much promising material in the flat races.

In South China's Ng Yik-jong we have the Colony's most promising quarter-miler, since Hosegood and Odell, with more promising material in Eggleton, In the 200 Metres a race between Mr. Yip-to and Peter McRae would be a treat to watch with Alan Stepto and Jacques not too far outclassed.

We may see this at the Open Championships at Caroline Hill to be run by the South China Athletic Association on Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday next week.

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Major Skipwith's effortless

100 feet in the Javelin Throw

would have made the best ten performances in this event in United Kingdom last year.

An encouraging factor also is the number of our athletes hovering about the 100-foot mark in the Discus Throw.

One of our principal weak-

nesses is the Shot Put with 35

feet seemingly good enough for a Colony Champion. This would

be a place in an club

match in London and coaching

is very badly needed. There

were quite a few 40-footers in

Hongkong before the war.

On the other hand, the several

good Services' performances in

the Hop, Step & Jump, once

recorded as a very unusual

event for anyone to take part in, promises well.

In three other jumping events,

the Colony's performances are

very poor indeed. There hasn't

been a long jump over 21 feet

whereas once we were producing

35-footers and there have only

been three jumps over 5 feet 6

inches in the high jump. We

have seen six-footers in Hong-

kong and this year's best of 8

feet 8 is not even our post-war

best. A Traveorine Regiment

athletes cleared 3 feet 9 inches

here in 1946.

Before closing mention must

be made of what I consider

about the most promising per-

formance of the year here, be-

cause it comes from the other

schoolboy. Ho Hui-po of St

Joseph's did the 400 metres

hurdles in 9.0 seconds in the

Triangular Meet, a good perfor-

mance in club competition any-

where. The time suggests that

he may be in the 35-second

class in the 400 Metres Flat.

—RECORDED.

SEASON'S BEST

100 METRES DASH

S. Hollands (HKU) 11.2

Lt. Carr (RA) 20.2

400 METRES LOW HURDLES

Ho Hui-po (SIC) 61.0

HIGH JUMP

Pau King-yin (SCAA) 5.8

Major Skipwith (Army) 5.8

Paul Yap (LU) 5.8

P. McRae (KGS) 5.8

At Chi-ying (QC) 5.8

Au Chih-ying (QC) 5.8

Paul Leung (DBS) 5.8

Chu Kwok-kuon (DBS) 12.0

200 METRES DASH

Ng Yin-fok (SCAA) 23.2

P. McRae (KGS) 23.6

At Chi-ying (QC) 24.2

Hau Kang-ming (QC) 24.2

D. G. Hanson (HKU) 24.8

F/Sgt. Connolly (NAF) 25.0

400 METRES RUN

Ng Yin-fok (SCAA) 53.8

P. McRae (KGS) 53.8

At Chi-ying (QC) 54.2

Ho Hui-po (SIC) 54.2

Paul Leung-yin (SCAA) 54.2

Woo Ching-ying (DBS) 54.2

LONG JUMP

Fok Yong-wal (SIC) 21.0

Ng Yin-fok (SCAA) 20.9

Lee Kam-luen (LU) 21.3

D. Eggleton (KGS) 21.3

G. Wagner (HKU) 21.6

T. H. Lean (HKU) 21.9

Wong Wing-kei (HKU) 21.9

Lee Cheuk-sang (SJC) 21.9

Sgt. Jordan (RAF) 21.9

P. Bencharit (DBS) 21.9

At Kin-hung (QC) 22.0

800 METRES RUN

Gao Kirawell (Army) 2:12.6

D. Eggleton (KGS) 2:13.0

H. Kestel (KGS) 2:13.6

Lee Kam-luen (LU) 2

• FOR YOUR SPARE MOMENTS •

• MCKENNEY ON BRIDGE

Finesse Work To Make Small Slam

BY WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY

Louise Carlyle is an enthusiastic bridge player. Although today's hand is not spectacular, you will notice that she handled it wisely.

On the opening lead of the nine of hearts Miss Carlyle played the ten from dummy. East played the Jack, which was allowed to hold the trick. If East returned a spade, Miss Carlyle would know that the queen was not in that hand. East might return a diamond.

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HOW DO YOU SPELL IPECAQUANHA? WITH GREAT DIFFICULTY



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Check Your Knowledge

- What is a Muscovite?
- Name Noah's three sons.
- Name the King of England who signed the Magna Carta.
- Identify Currier and Ives.
- Who was Charles Ludwing?
- Which falls more quickly, a heavy or a light object?

(Answers in Column 4)

♦ J62
♦ 106
♦ 762
♦ AKQ103
♦ 10754
♦ 992
W E ♦ RQJ5
♦ 63
S ♦ K64
♦ J98G
♦ 542
Dealer
Miss Carlyle
♦ AK3
♦ A432
♦ AQJ109
♦ 7
Rubber—Neither vul.
South West North East
Pass Pass 2 Pass
3 Pass 4 Pass
4 N.T. Pass 5 Pass
0 Pass Pass Pass
Opening—♦ 9 28

which would give declarer a free finesse. The king of diamonds had to be in the East hand, in order to make the contract.

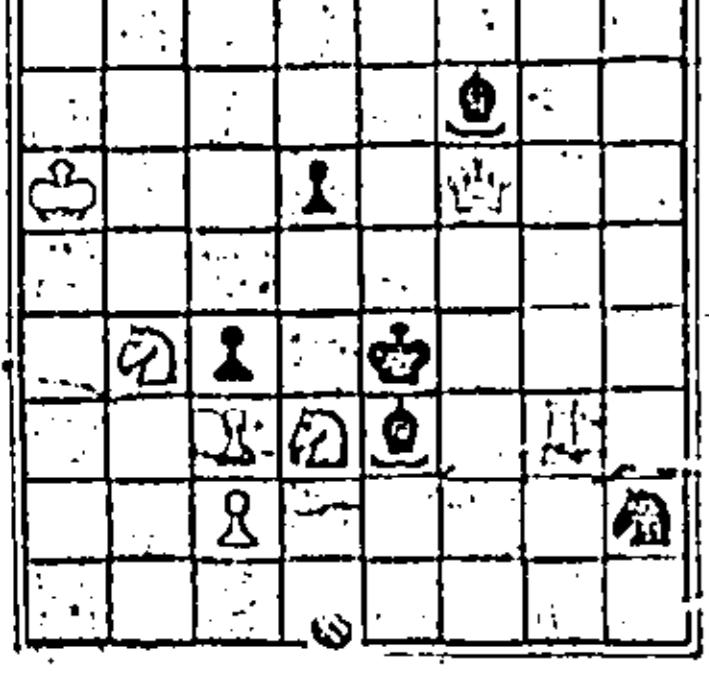
East, however, returned the king of hearts, which declarer won. Now she trumped the three of hearts in dummy with the deuce of diamonds, led the seven of diamonds and finessed the nine-spot.

The seven of clubs was played to dummy's queen, and hoping that the clubs were divided 4-3, Miss Carlyle cashed dummy's ace and king of clubs, discarding a losing heart and a losing spade from her own hand. She then led the five of diamonds, finessed the ten-spot, the ace picked up the king and gave her the contract.

CHESS PROBLEM

By P. BARRON

Black, 6 pieces.

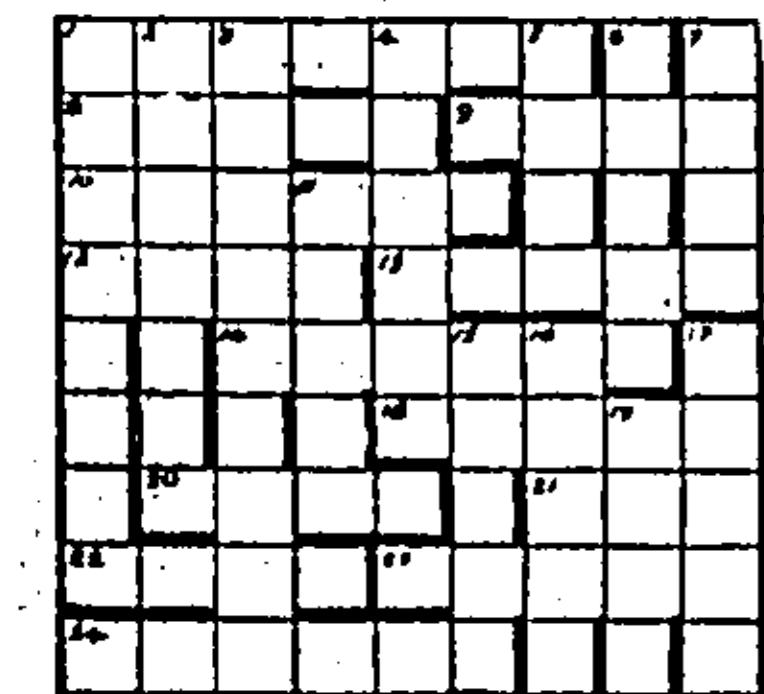


White, 7 pieces. White to play and mate in two.

Solution to yesterday's problem:

1. R—K8; threat 2, Q—R4 (ch); 1... B—K4; Q3; 2, Q—Q1 (ch); 1... K—K6; 7; 2, Q×P; 1... B—K1; 2, Q—K8!

CROSSWORD



Across:

1. and 5. Screw in ore (anag.) (4-4)

9. Laid back on the face. (4)

10. Furniture out. (7)

12. Count him in a plane. (4)

14. (1) could make a hit in the gym (6)

One is sure to hear this. (6)

20. People will not believe it unless it has been told. (4)

21. Taken from a room I'd used. (3)

23. A hanging bandage. (3)

Down:

1. and 22. Shop portion where the customer is brought enough to make the tutor practice. (7-4)

2. Devilish. (7)

3. Careless. (4)

4. Flag of the nation. (4)

5. Bee 1. Across. (6)

6. Excess supply. (4)

7. She is always seen in rolls. (5)

8. Wolf-like sounds. (5)

9. Boundary mark. (5)

10. Pitting in the kitchen. (4)

11. Solution of yesterday's puzzle. (4)

12. Editor. (4)

13. Pipe. (5)

14. Tenth. (5)

15. Subnormal. (4)

16. Over 1000. (5)

17. Must. (5)

18. Yeo. (5)

SCIENCE AT WORK

OAK BARK DISCOVERY TO TREAT RADIATION

By PAUL F. ELLIS

A chemical substance developed from oak bark may have value in treating injury from radiation.

In tests on experimental animals, it already has shown evidence of increasing the resistance of the capillaries to rupture and other damaging influences, such as that from radiation.

Studies of the new substance are being conducted by scientists in the research laboratories of the Scripps Metabolic Clinic at La Jolla, California.

Medical scientists in many laboratories are now seeking medical ways to treat radiation injury, such as from an atomic bomb explosion but no such test with the new substance has been made. As in all new projects, tests are made first on experimental animals.

The Scripps scientists isolated the substance during a study of the so-called vitamin P compounds that in some medical circles are being used as a co-factor with vitamin C in the treatment of hypertension.

While rutin and the other so-called vitamin P compounds have been shown to have no connection with vitamin C, the Scripps scientists believed that other related compounds may prove of some value.

Thus, they are toilingly isolating the sub-subsides, and at least one has been found to have various biological effects in tests on experimental animals. Eventually, the compounds when they have met all trials, may be used as a drug and not as a dietary substance.

(Tomorrow—Book Parade).

CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE

Answers

- An inhabitant of Russia.
- Shem, Ham and Japhet.
- King in 1215 on the field at Runnymede.
- Publishers of coloured prints.
- Lewis Carroll, author of "Alice in Wonderland."
- They both fall at the same speed.

After eating the straw, Jack felt better.

"Fine, thank you," answered Jack. "Only I'm hungry. Please get me something to eat."

"I'll get you something right away!" cried Knarf. "I'll get a big steak and potatoes."

"No," said Jack. "I don't like steak and potatoes."

"A big bowl of soup will be just the thing," said Hand.

"No soup," said Jack.

"A big roast chicken," suggested Knarf.

"No," said Jack.

"Lamb chops?" said Hand.

"Hamburger steak? Oatmeal?

Boiled eggs? Macaroni and cheese?"

"Apple pie?" said Knarf.

"Lemon meringue pie? Bananas and cream? Roast beef? Baked fish? Cocoa?"

"No, no, no, no, no!"

Karf and Hand looked at each other. Then Hand said: "We'll get you anything you want. Jack. Just tell us."

"Please," said Jack, "get me a heaping bag of straw."

Old Self

And that's what Knarf and Hand got Jack the Scarecrow. And when he got it all inside him, the coat and the pants and the hat and the shoes all filled out and Jack the Scarecrow was his old self again.

"Now," said Jack, smiling, as he stuck the old corn cob pipe in his mouth, "now I feel fine. Ah, my friends, there is nothing better for a Scarecrow than a fine dish of happiness."

Mood, by nature, learn to conquer this instantly. Once done, you will be an even-tempered and pleasant person whose charm and magnetism

Your intuitions are more than ordinarily keen—and if you learn to make full use of them, you can usually "outwit" your competitors and march on to victory over them with great ease. If, however, you are not sufficiently adventuresome to heed these inner advices—much may be lost, probably more than an opportunity.

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BY THE WAY
by Beachcomber

HERE, my piling Aver-roists, is an official ruling which affects each one of you. "There is nothing," said an official, "to prevent you keeping a lion in the backyard, providing you keep it under proper control."

Proper control means cutting it sharply if it leaves the yard and starts tearing passers-by to pieces. As Goethe said to that precious Irmhild bel zu und am und eggs Stenchausen-Gorkestein von Rotherburg: "Come into my Buck-Saxlo-thorn-yard and make my lion jealous."

The call of the sea

The theft of the anchor chain from the Saucy Mrs. Lobster is regarded in naval circles as a comparatively trivial event owing to the droll fact that there was no anchor attached to it. Mrs. Withersedge, the caretaker, who sleeps aboard, heard noise which she attributed to roving vermin, or to the usual disintegration of the bounding barque. The proximity of what is left of the stern to the embankment makes it easy for marauders to scramble aboard. "She's still anchored securely," said Mrs. Withersedge in an interview. "Leastways, what I mean is the anchor's stuck in the mud or what the Admiral calls 'er starboard beam. For all the good it does us it might as well be 'anglin' from the roof of the National Gallery. Them Afghans won't have to 'at it up when they sail away for the Spice Islands, an' yo' ho ho an' a bottle o' rum served ice-cold in the crow's nest."

Alone with Nature

FROM the orchard comes the twit-twit-twit-pu-pu—whooeee of the beercrest, who is ferreting about in the salisy for caddis-worms to feed her fledgling brood. As she flits from salisy to salisy, you can catch the red streak on her jowl, and the mottled bumps behind her oval ears, pricked up to catch the slightest sound of worm-movements. The click of a gate sends her whirring back to the nest in the fork of a dwarf weeping Sycamore, where her young loll about and jabber with hunger.

TUESDAY, MAY 10

BORN today, you are exceptionally adaptable to circumstances. You have a quick, perceptive mind and your talents are many. To avoid becoming merely a charming "Jack of all trades," select some one thing to concentrate on early in life.

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 11

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GEMINI (May 22-June 22)—Be careful of your business resources. A journey, if thoughtfully undertaken, can prove advantageous.

CANCER (June 23-July 22)—The unexpected may prove exciting today. Possibly a fresh romance will open new interests to you.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—A good day for travelling, but make sure that you are cautious when it comes to any business expansion.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 22)—Be thrifty in all your expenditures. Wasteful purchases, even if bargains, are no good just now.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)—Avoid litigation, especially if it has anything to do with money. Watch all expenditures carefully.

ARQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Check all assets and liabilities carefully just now. Make sure you know exactly where you are going.

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Would US Abandon Far East In Event Of A War?

NEW THEORY GAINING ADHERENTS

New York, May 9.—An increasing amount of attention is being paid in this country to the theory that in "abandoning nationalist China" the United States may also have to "abandon" the whole Far East in the event of war.

A number of Filipino officials here and in Manila have expressed the fear that U.S. policy planners are giving up the idea of defending islands such as the Philippines, Japan and Formosa if war comes via a Communist-run China. These fears have also been expressed by several American editorialists.

Some learned thinking along the same lines was set forth in the April issue of "World Politics," a quarterly journal published at Yale University. Two close students of China, Nathan Leites and David Nelson Rowe, suggested that there is still time to save South China, without which it would be at least uneconomic and perhaps impossible to hold the rest of East Asia.

U.S. Hits Back In Radio War

Berlin, May 9.—America's most potent radio voice to eastern Europe will increase its power five times within six weeks.

This was learned from official American sources on Monday who also said that the station had been granted a financial reprieve which will keep it in operation.

With five times the power the American Military Government station in Berlin will add its broadcasts to the American-British efforts to smash through the Soviet jamming of the BBC and the Voice of America.

It will be increased from 20,000 watts to 100,000 by about June 15.

*** LEUNG WING LOH ***

It is pointed out here that the station with its new power will "be heard clearly up to 500 miles." This will include as far north of what was Lithuania, all of Poland, all of Czechoslovakia, part of Rumania, all of Hungary and a part of Yugoslavia.

Depending on broadcast conditions the station also could be heard in Moscow and the Ukraine.

HARDER TO JAM

The station, "RIAS" is a medium wave station and much harder to jam than short wave stations now used by voice of America, a leading radio technician explained. "If they jam us they will knock out most of their own local stations at the same time."

"Broadcast on mediumwave has an additional advantage. It is estimated that for every radio set in eastern Europe equipped for short wave there are 40 that can hear mediumwave broadcasts."

Although the station broadcasts largely in German it is pointed out that a large part of the listening public in eastern Europe understand German.

Consideration is now being given to adding other languages. The station has the advantage of being the only American or British controlled station actually behind the Soviet zone frontier and in a position to broadcast, as one man put it, from the Soviet doorstep.

The American Military Government station has been threatened with extinction because there appeared to be no way to fund its yearly budget. Associated Press.

NO HEIR TO BARONETCY

Stenford, Lincolnshire, May 9.—A 280 year old baronetcy is going begging here.

Hugh Christopher Whitchope, the tenth baronet, died on Monday at the age of 75. He left no heirs. It means the hereditary honour may become extinct.

But C. F. J. Hankinson, editor of Debrett, who keeps track of peers, barons and knights, believes there may be another descendant of the first baronet, Sir Jeremy Whitchope.

Hankinson said that his younger son, Henry, left an offspring. If any of his male descendants are living, the eldest can step up and claim the title.

The first baronet obtained the title from Charles II in 1660 for hiding the King's agents during the exile of Charles II.

Missing heirs to British titles often turn up in America—Associated Press.



The Chinese Nationalist tank, one of the type used in the fighting with the Chinese Communists, rolls a Shanghai street en route to the waterfront to be loaded aboard a transport for south of China. — AP Picture.

Princess Margaret's Audience With Pope: Protestants Upset

Rome, May 9.—A spokesman for the British Legation to the Holy See said on Monday that Princess Margaret will "probably" be received by the Pope on Tuesday. The unofficial Vatican news service announced that an audience has been fixed for 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday.

The Protestant Truth Society despatched a last minute telegram to the King on Monday asking him again to stop Princess Margaret's proposed visit to the Pope. The telegram said the Society is "shocked and expressed its profound grief" over the prospective call.

Harriman's Pledge

Full Support For East-West Trade

Geneva, May 9.—Mr Averell Harriman, United States roving Ambassador to the Marshall Plan countries, today pledged full American support for expansion of East-West trade in Europe.

Reporting that Nationalist China has reached such a low state that its leaders would be willing to permit "technique of combined work which would leave success of failure largely up to us," the writer suggested a short-term programme which "would have to meet the following conditions:

LIAISON

"1. American determination of the kinds and amounts of weapons and equipment to be supplied to Chinese forces, with emphasis on types appropriate to the Chinese geography and technology."

"2. Enough American personnel to permit Chinese-American liaison at both strategic and tactical levels."

"3. Overall military direction by a prominent American military personality with successful experience in China, whose appointment would be an earnest of the serious intentions of the United States; and

"4. A mature United States information programme in China, co-ordinated with the other aspects of our policy."

The writer gave two chief reasons for the low level of East-West European trade since the war:

DEMAND SCARCE GOODS

(1) The inability of East European countries to supply to the West sufficient quantities of their traditional exports of foodstuffs.

(2) The fact that East Europe was demanding from the West far greater quantities of heavy capital goods "which have been in scarce world supply."

Mr Harriman renewed his recent appeals for greater freedom of trade in Europe.

"If trade within Europe is to reach the level required for genuine recovery, there must be an advance from the now prevalent system of bilateral trade to a freer multi-lateral system," he declared.

Asserting that achievements in Europe during 1948 gave assurance that the goal of independence from external aid would be reached, he added, "Recovery is no longer in doubt." — Reuter.

But an authoritative Buckingham Palace source said that the King neither encourages nor opposes the idea of such a meeting. He looks upon it as strictly a personal matter for Margaret.

In Paris the weekly newspaper "France Dimanche" was seized by police over the weekend before it reached the streets with pictures of Princess Margaret in Italy.

One picture showed a rear view of what looked like a nude woman or girl on a beach. The paper said it was not known for sure whether it was Princess Margaret or another woman.

PAPER'S PROTEST

The newspaper, with a circulation of 450,000, was seized under a law governing "insults to the head of a foreign state."

Another of the pictures allegedly showed the princess getting into a boat. The bathing suit was not apparent.

Max Corr, general manager of the "France Dimanche" later told the Associated Press that he considered the seizure illegal and that he was preparing legal action.

He claimed that all the pictures had already been published in the Italian press and said a "revised" edition of "France Dimanche" would be on sale on Tuesday.

A British embassy spokesman denied reports that it was upon a personal complaint by Ambassador Sir Oliver Harvey that the prefect of police took action. — Associated Press.

MARTIAL LAW TO BE EXTENDED

Cairo, May 9.—The Egyptian Senate, in a secret session tonight, approved the extension of martial law for another year. It was introduced in May, 1948, when the Egyptian forces entered Palestine.

Tonight's voting, after a three-hour debate, was 70 in favour and 14 against. The Chamber of Deputies gave similar approval by 130 votes to 20. The extension will date from May 15. — Reuter.

On Way To S. China

World Faces A Choice

Duke's Address To Schoolchildren

London, May 9.—The Duke of Edinburgh told 5,000 children at the Albert Hall this afternoon that the world faced a choice between destruction or a peaceful society. "It is up to us to make the choice," he said.

The Duke was taking the chair at a meeting organised by the Council for Education in World Citizenship in association with the newspaper, the Daily Mail, and attended by the Prime Minister, Mr Clement Attlee.

The children came from 150 schools in the Home counties. Twenty-six members of the Daily Mail Youth Forum—13 boys and 13 girls from a number of countries, including Italy, France, Sweden, Canada, Australia and the United States—were also present.

"We can choose to disregard our neighbours, treat them as foreigners or potential enemies, but, on the other hand, we can choose to understand our neighbours and treat them as individuals," the Duke said.

"That is what we are doing here today. We all know that Utopia is unattainable, but if we all know the world we want, at least we can work for it."

Mr Attlee, speaking on Britain's contribution to "the world we want," said that the one thing essential for freedom and democracy was tolerance, without which "our Parliamentary system would not work." — Reuter.

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